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1. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF JUNE 8 LETTER SENT BY BOTSWANA WILDLIFE DIRECTOR, E.T. MATENGE TO DIRECTOR US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE CONCERNING INABILITY OF A.W. PALMISANO TO ATTEND THE 5TH WILDLIFE CONFERENCE IN GABORONE. EMBASSY S COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION FOLLOW SEPTTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXTC THE DIRECTOR, FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240, DEAR SIR, WE HAVE JUST LEARNT OF YOUR DECISION TO SEND TWO DELEGATES TO THE 5TH WILDLIFE CONFERENCE, BOTH OF WHOM HAVE EXPERTISE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES OF WILD FLORA AND FAUNA.

WHILE THIS MAY BE HIGH AMONG YOUR PRIORITIES WE HERE WOULD INSIST UPON THE ATTENDANCE OF AT LEAST ONE DELEGATE WHOSE SPECIALITY IS IN THE FIELD OF MANAGEMENT, WHICH IS, AFTER ALL, THE THEME OF THE CONFERENCE.

LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS IN BOTSWANA ARE NOT ON THE WHOLE A MAJOR PROBLEM. ON THE OTHERHAND, WE ARE JUST BEGINNING AN ERA OF PRACTICAL MANAGEMENT, AND THE EXPERIENCE OF OTHERS IN THIS SPHERE IS PARTICULARLY RELEVANT TO US.

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OUR REQUEST FOR DR. PALMISANO WAS BASED ON HIS WIDE EXPERIENCE IN MANAGEMENT AND PARTICULARLY IN THE LEGAL AND INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS OF ESTABLISHING MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS. THIS WAS ONE OF THE REASONS FOR INVITING HIM TO DELIVER THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS.

IN ADDITION WE HAVE ALREADY ARRANGED FOR DEPARTMENTAL RESEARCH

AND MANAGEMENT STAFF TO ATTEND INFORMAL TECHNICAL SESSIONS WITH  
DR. PALMISANO, WHILE HE IS HERE. TO HAVE TO FIND A NEW KEYNOTE  
SPEAKER AT THIS LATE STAGE IS HIGHLY INCONVENIENT.

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE , NATIONAL PARKS  
AND TOURISM REGRETS THAT, UNLESS DR. PLAMISANO CAN ATTEND AND  
PRESENT HIS PAPER FOR DISCUSSION, WE WOULD REGARD THE ATTENDANCE  
OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AS LESS THAN ADEQUATE. YOURS  
SINCERELY, E.T. MATENGE, DIRECTOR. END TEXT.  
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